

1 **ABSTRACT**

2 Financial data having multiple financial data elements is retrieved from a
3 data source. A procedure identifies multiple rules associated with the financial
4 data elements. Those multiple rules are applied to the financial data elements such
5 that each of the financial data elements is associated with an identifier. The
6 procedure then identifies additional information regarding a particular financial
7 data element using the identifier associated with the financial data element.

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